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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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TAKESHI SAITO ET AL

: GROUP ART UNIT: 2756

SERIAL NO: 09/035,995

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CPA FILED: JULY 21, 2000

: EXAMINER: WILLETT, S.

FOR: DATA TRANSFER CONTROL
DEVICE, RELAY DEVICE AND
CONTROL DEVICE SUITABLE
FOR HOME NETWORK
ENVIRONMENT

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1-2, 4-11, 40-41 and 43-47 as follows:

sub c1)
--1. (Amended) A data transfer control device for controlling transfer of information data to a receiving node connected with a first physical network from a transmitting node connected with a second physical network, the data transfer control device being connected with the second physical network and comprising:

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